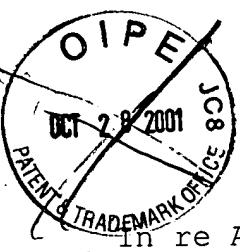


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment;
2. Three copies of Brief on Appeal as filed Oct. 31, 2001;
3. Exhibit A - Transmittal Letter of Appeal Brief filing;
4. Exhibit B - Date Stamped post card filing receipt; and
5. Exhibit C - Express Mail Receipt.

The Director of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579. The Director is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-1579 for any future fees connected in any way to this application. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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